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WEATHER
Rain to-day; fair and warmer to-mor-
row; strong south and south-
west winds.
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TWO CENTS (In Greater New York and
within commuting distance) THREE CENTS
Elsewhere

Men Start Steel Strike, One Plant Already Closed; State Police Rushed to Pittsburgh to Avert Disorder

Broker's Boy And \$141,000 Are Missing

Messenger With \$400,000 in Bonds Delivers \$70,000, Leaves \$189,000 With Companion
Employed Sept. 8; Under Heavy Bond
Police Watch Railroads and Ferry Terminals; Find No Trace of Youth

Four Bond Robberies In Last Few Weeks

Four robberies within the last few weeks have set a high water mark for crime of that sort. Among the recent ones are those of August 12, when a messenger with \$400,000 in bonds, delivered \$70,000, leaving \$189,000 with a companion. September 15, when a messenger with \$400,000 in bonds, delivered \$70,000, leaving \$189,000 with a companion. September 15, when a messenger with \$400,000 in bonds, delivered \$70,000, leaving \$189,000 with a companion.



Tries to Give Factory to Men To Avert Strike

Head of Biggest Jewelry Manufacturing Firm in U. S. Offers Workers All His Profits and They Refuse

When the employees of Goldsmith, Stern & Co., largest manufacturers of jewelry in the United States, announced that they intended to go on strike for a 25 per cent raise and a thirty-nine hour week, August 15, the head of the concern, said he couldn't grant their demand, but that he would give them the factory. Not only Mr. Goldsmith said yesterday, did he offer to turn over the factory for them to run for the workers' own profit, but he offered to help them in the management of it, without pay, for six months. But the workers turned down this proposal. They said it was too big for them and that they would rather have the 25 per cent increase.

Imperator Is Turned Over to Cunard Line

Former German Liner To Be Placed on New York-Cherbourg-Southampton Run
The Imperator, one of the largest vessels afloat and formerly belonging to the Hamburg-American Line, has been acquired by the Cunard Steamship Company, Ltd., under assignment from the British Ministry of Shipping, according to an announcement made here yesterday. As soon as practicable the Imperator will join the Aquitania and the Mauretania, the famous Cunard liners, in providing a weekly service from New York to Cherbourg and Southampton.

Food Prices Increase 1% Despite U. S. Fight

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Retail prices of food increased 1 per cent in August over July records and reached the highest point in the nation's history, despite the government's campaign to reduce the cost of living.

Wreck Believed To Be Missing Liner

Divers Read "Valbanera" on Sunken Vessel; No Trace of 450 Aboard
KEY WEST, Fla., Sept. 19.—Imbedded in quicksand under forty feet of water off Rebecca Shoals lighthouse, divers today found the bulk of a vessel believed to be the Spanish passenger liner Valbanera, which has been missing since the eastern portion of the Gulf of Mexico was swept by a hurricane ten days ago.

Reds Put Moscow In State of Siege

HELSINKI, Sept. 19 (By The Associated Press).—The "Pravda" of Petrograd publishes a soviet government proclamation declaring a state of siege in Moscow in consequence of the operations of the Cossack General Kamantov's cavalry near the Red army, now 175 miles to the south.

Lodge Forces Claim Votes to Amend League

Declare Equality of Representation Amendment Will Pass Next Week; Johnson Abandons Tour

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Republican leaders claimed today that they had enough votes to pass the British-American voting amendment to the league of nations covenant. At the same time word was received from Duluth, Minn., that Senator Hiram W. Johnson, author of the amendment, would be in Washington Monday to lead the fight for this change in the German treaty, in which the league covenant is incorporated.

Employers Are Criticised By President

Half of Strike Temper Is Due to the Refusal of Directors of Labor to Meet Workers, He Says
Remarks Taken as Referring to Gary
Wilson Speaks to 50,000 in San Diego Stadium; Many Unable to Hear

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 19.—President Wilson, in his address here today, declared that "half of the temper which now exists between those who perform labor and those who direct labor is due to the fact that those who direct labor won't talk differences over with the men whom they employ."

Hylan Orders Agitators Off City Payroll

Is sues Instructions to Heads of Departments to Cut Union Organizers Out of Next Budget
Meeting Is Held Despite Threat
Three Organizations at Work and One Seeks 50 Per Cent Pay Increase

Agitation for more pay by city employees hereafter will result in the loss of their jobs, Mayor Hylan yesterday issued an order directing the heads of all departments to drop from next year's budget all employees found "agitating and making trouble."

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"Please do not ask me that question. I would rather not make any comment whatever."

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Proviso in Favor of Labor and Farmers' Combinations May Be Dropped From New Legislation

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